

Results Area: A Strong and Vibrant Economy

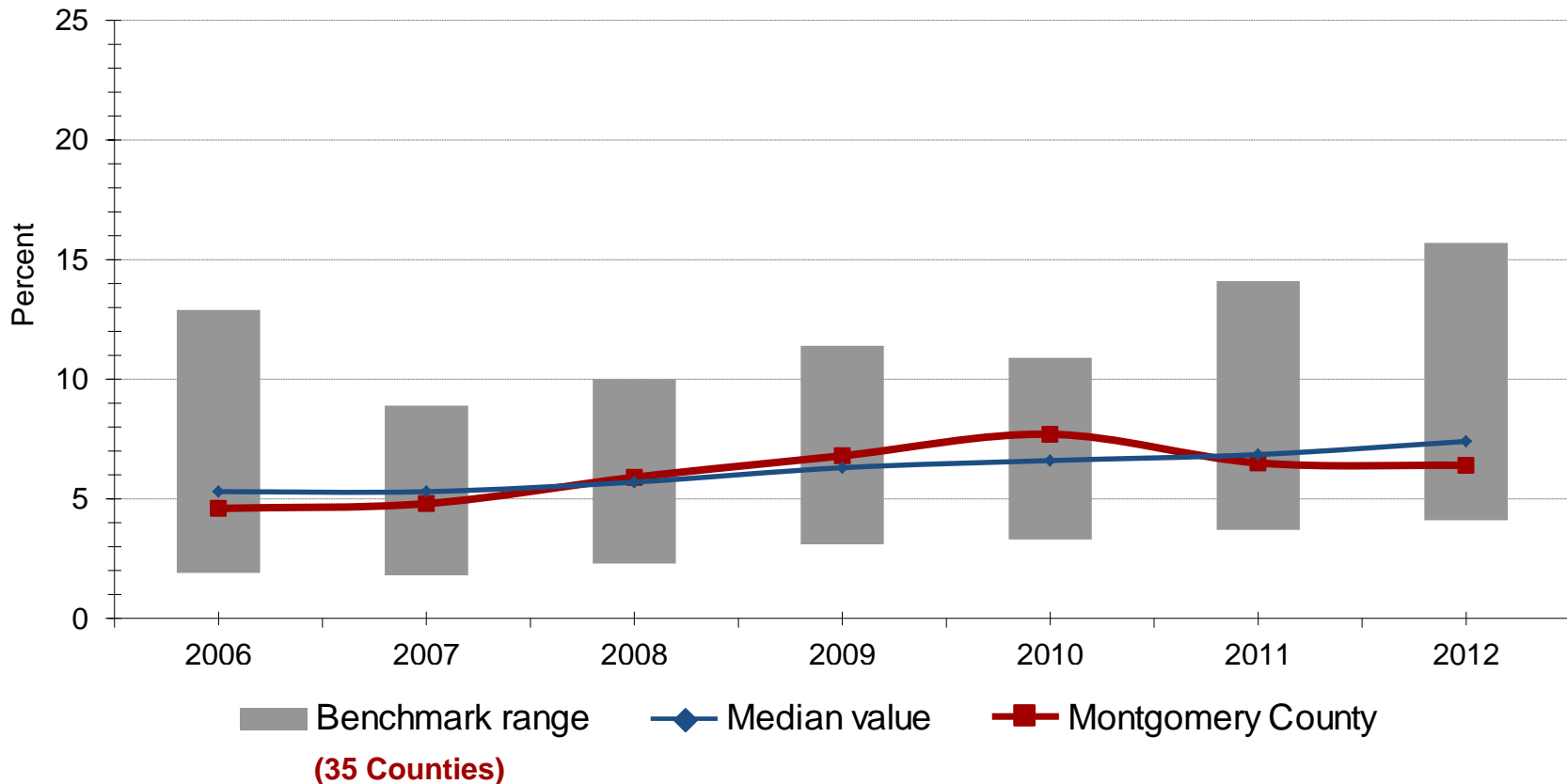
A strong and vibrant economy is the foundation of a healthy and successful community. Montgomery County is blessed with a diverse network of established and emerging for-profit businesses and not-for-profit organizations that is the envy of other local communities. The key to our success has been our highly educated workforce attracted by our exceptional quality of life. The Leggett Administration is committed to doing what is necessary to build on this strong foundation by reaching out to attract entrepreneurial companies from across America and throughout the world. To ensure a positive business climate, the Leggett Administration will work to streamline regulation and build lines of communication with leaders of the business and independent sectors so that they are at the table with government when key decisions about the County's future are made. To continue to attract and retain quality businesses, Montgomery County's priorities must be to provide educational excellence, workforce development opportunities, a transportation network that works, and housing options that meet the needs of future employees.

Statement on A Strong and Vibrant Economy from the Leggett Transition Team Report (December 2006)



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Indicator: Percent below poverty line



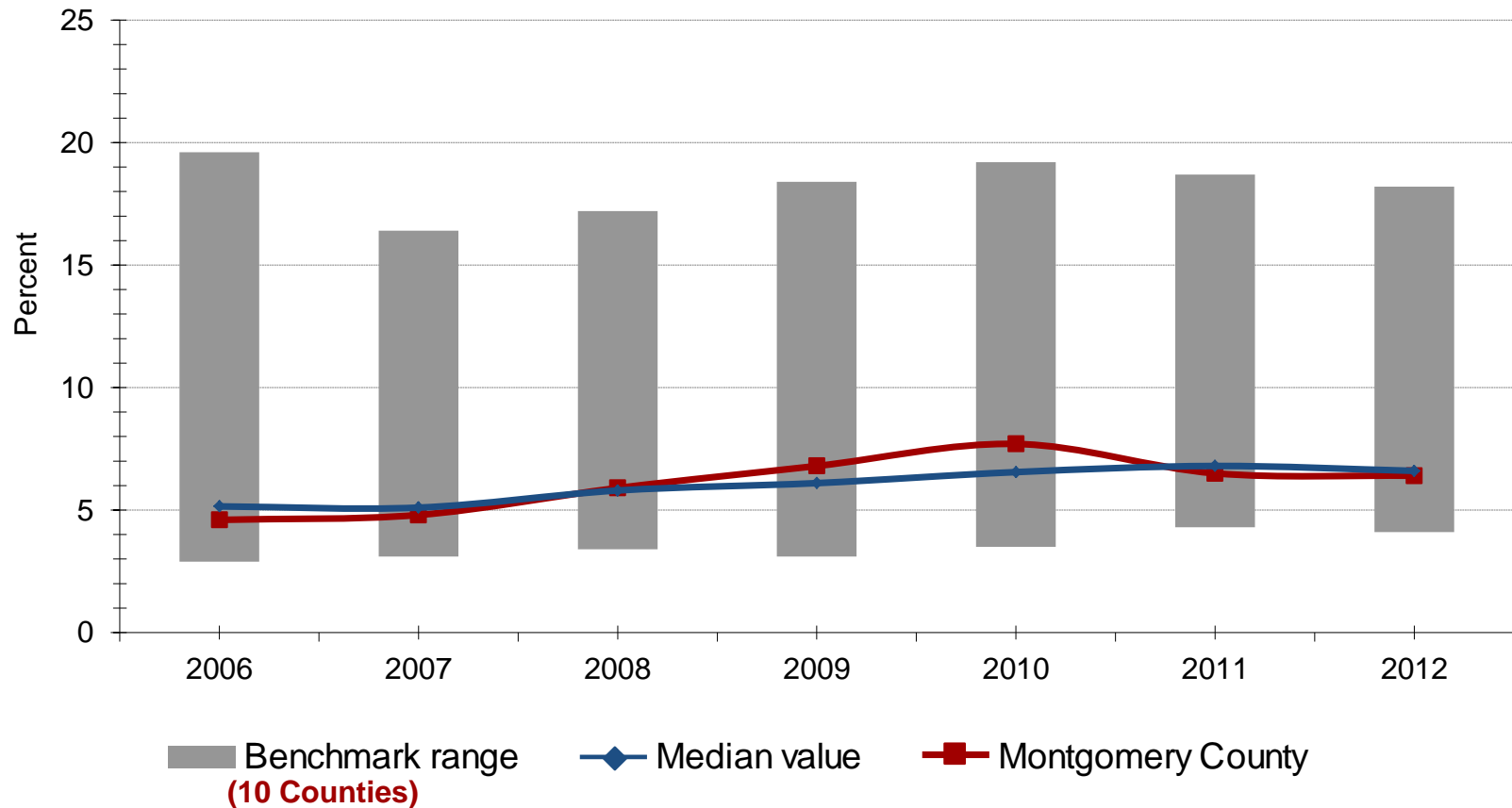
In 2012, the median national value was 7.4%. In Montgomery County, 6.4% were below the poverty line. In 2012, the highest value was 15.7% and the lowest value was 4.1%.



Source: American Community Survey

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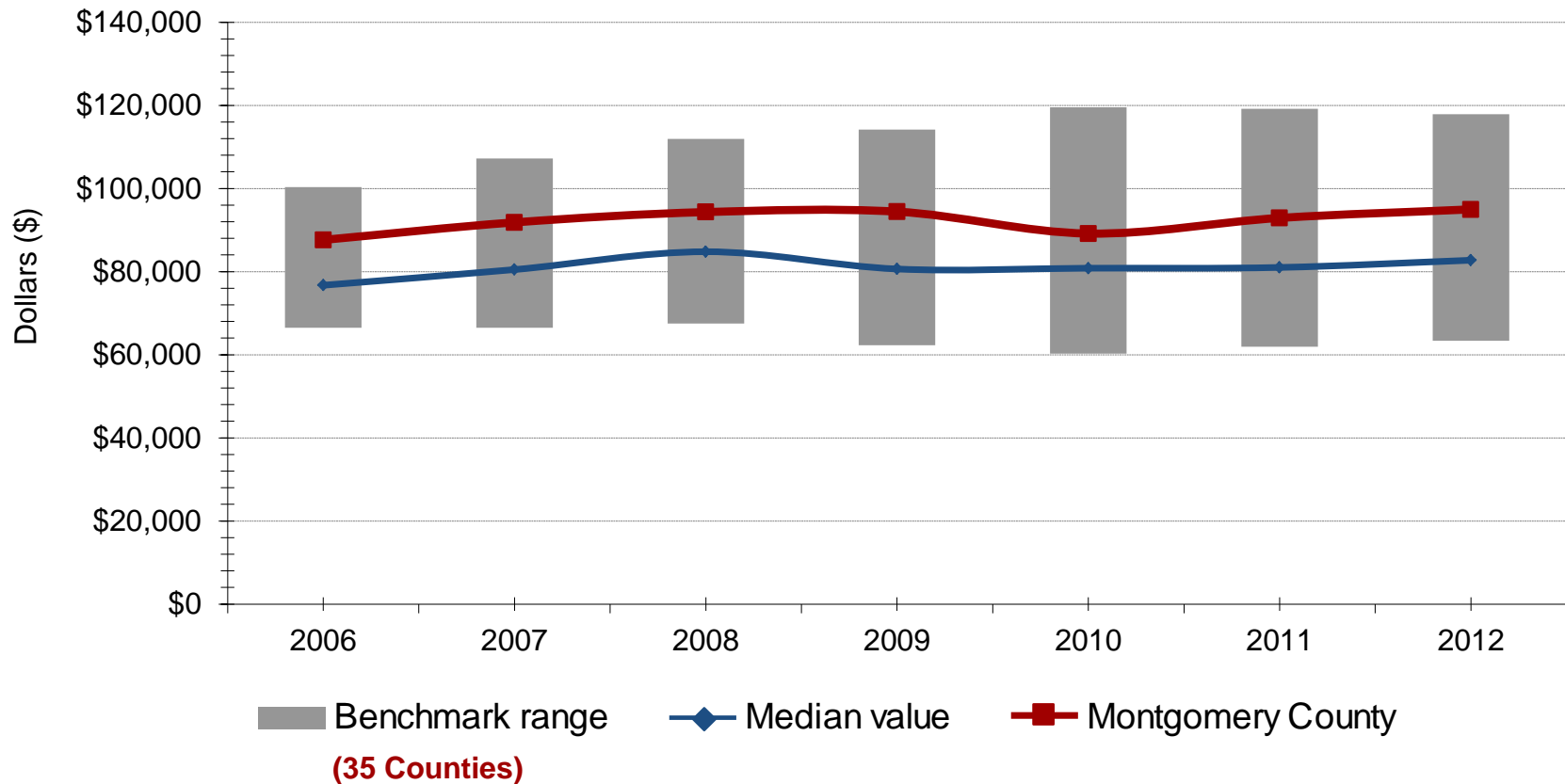
In 2012, the median regional value was 6.6%. In Montgomery County, 6.4% were below the poverty line. In 2012, the highest value was 18.2% and the lowest value was 4.1%.



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Indicator: Median household income



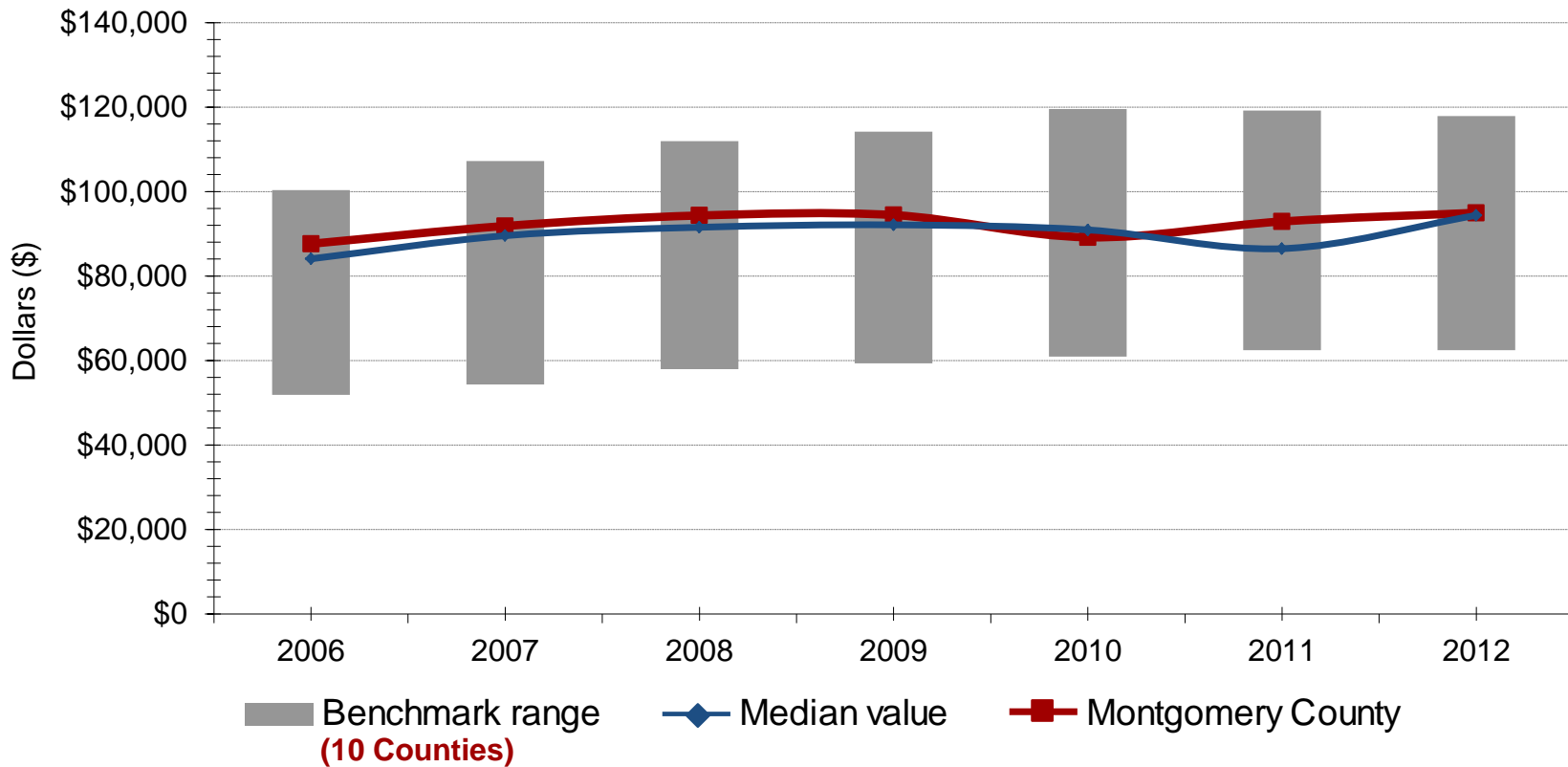
In 2012, the median national value was \$82,729. In Montgomery County median household income was \$94,965. In 2012, the highest value was \$117,876 and the lowest value was \$63,345.



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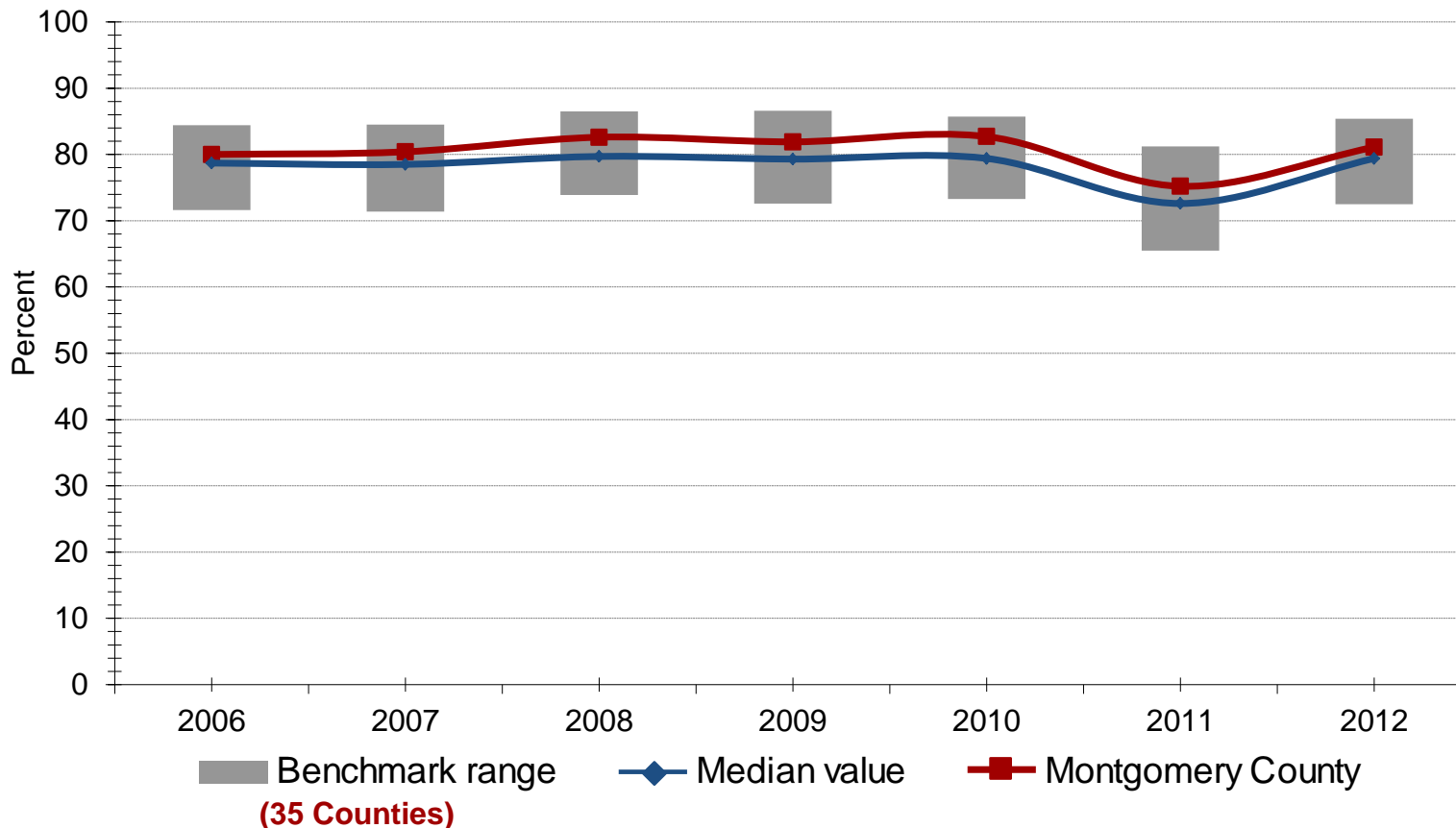
In 2012, the median regional value was \$94,355. In Montgomery County median household income was \$94,965. In 2012, the highest value was \$117,876 and the lowest value was \$62,444.



Source: American Community Survey

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Indicator: **Percent of population 16-64 in labor force**



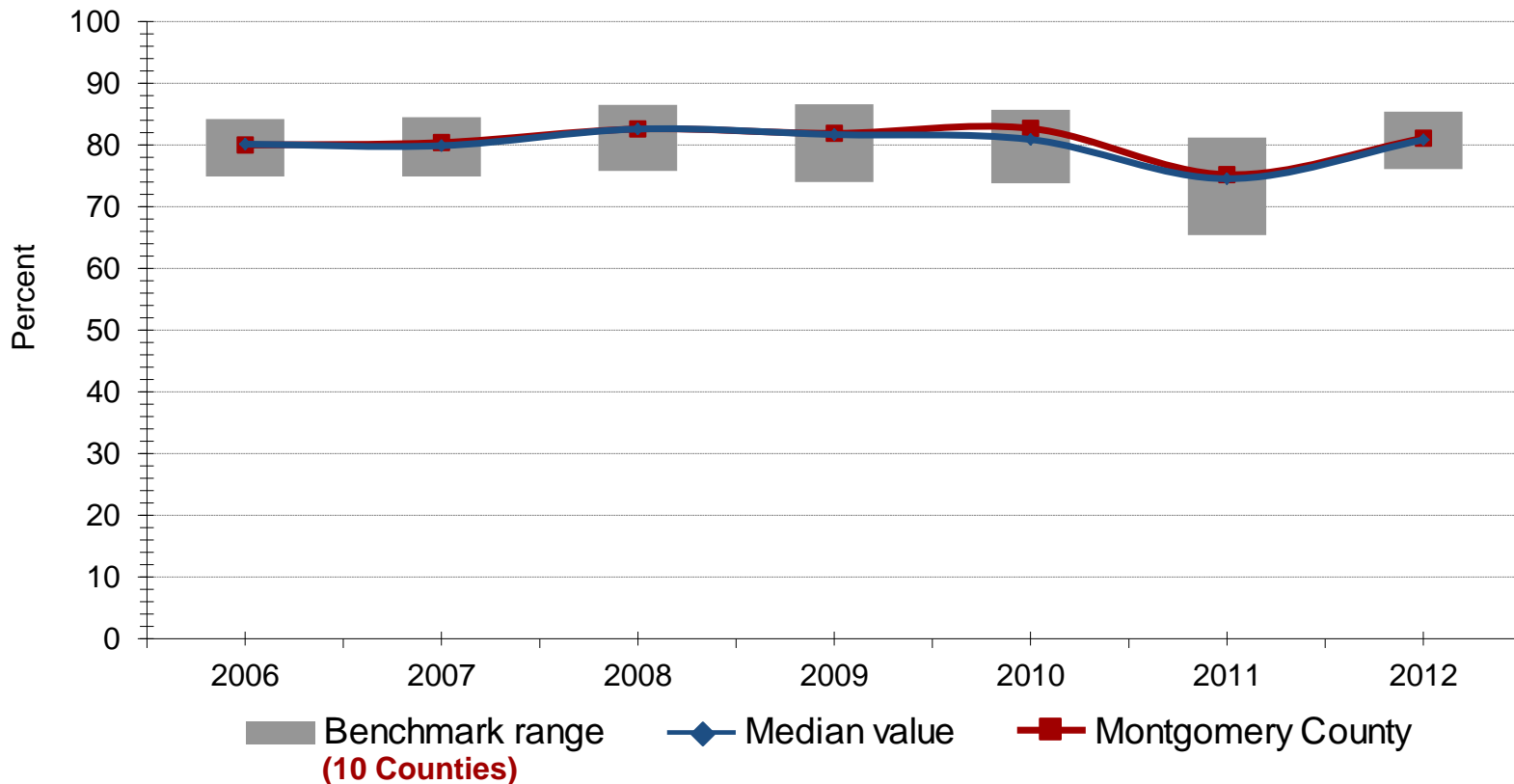
In 2012, the median national value was 79.4%. In Montgomery County, 81.1% of the population 16-64 was in the labor force. In 2012, the highest value was 85.4% and the lowest value was 72.5%.



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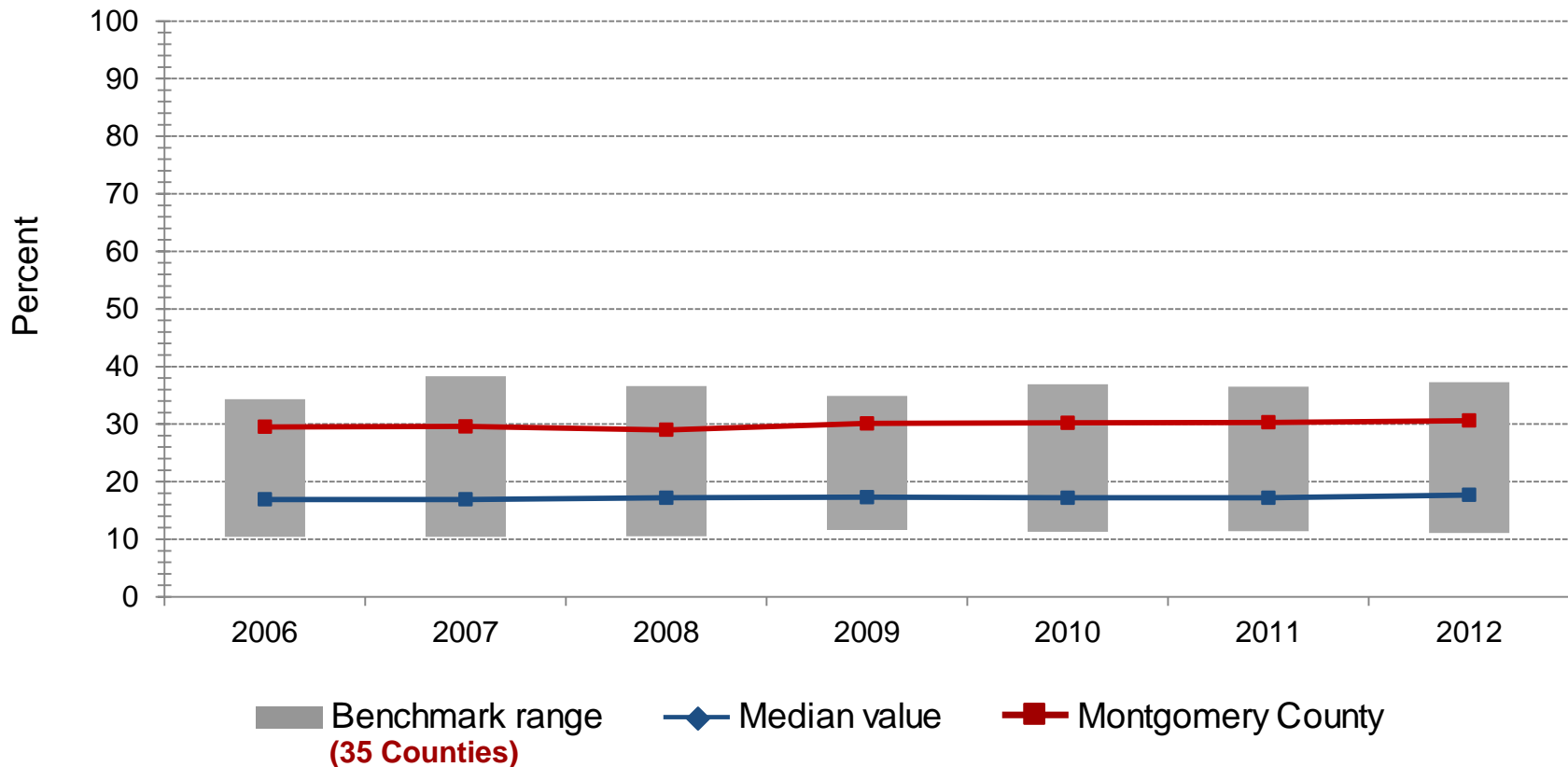
Indicator: Percent of population 16-64 in labor force



In 2012, the median regional value was 80.9%. In Montgomery County, 81.1% of the population 16-64 was in the labor force. In 2012, the highest value was 85.4% and the lowest value was 76.1%.



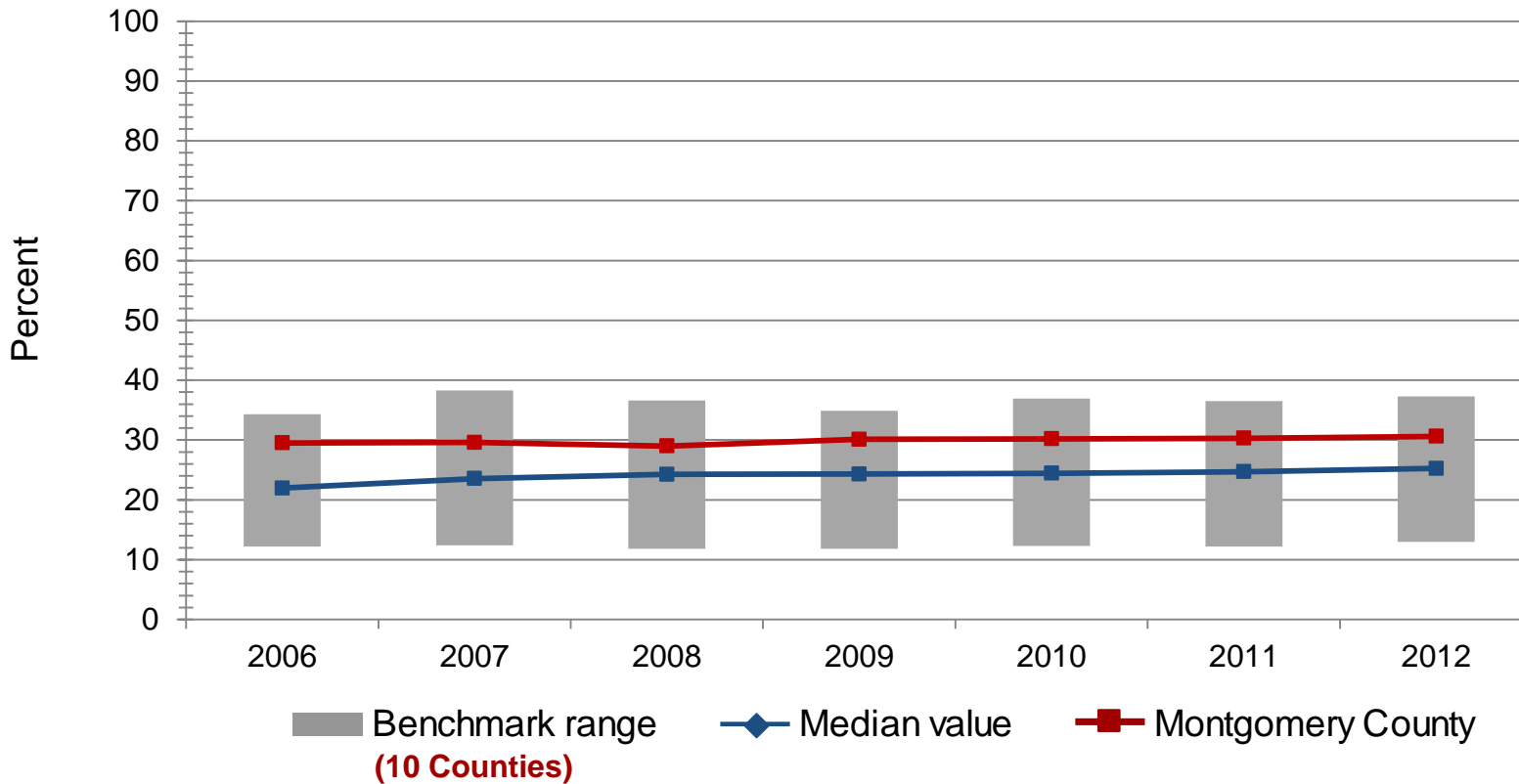
Source: American Community Survey

A Strong and Vibrant Economy**Indicator: Percent of population 25 years and over with an advanced degree**

In 2012, the median value across our national benchmark Counties was 17.7%. In Montgomery County, 30.6% of those 25 years and older had an advanced degree. In 2012, the highest value was 37.3% and the lowest value was 11.1%.



Source: American Community Survey

A Strong and Vibrant Economy**Indicator: Percent of population 25 years and over with an advanced degree**

In 2012, the median regional value was 25.3%. In Montgomery County, 30.6% of those 25 years and older had an advanced degree. In 2012, the highest value was 37.3% and the lowest value was 13.0%.

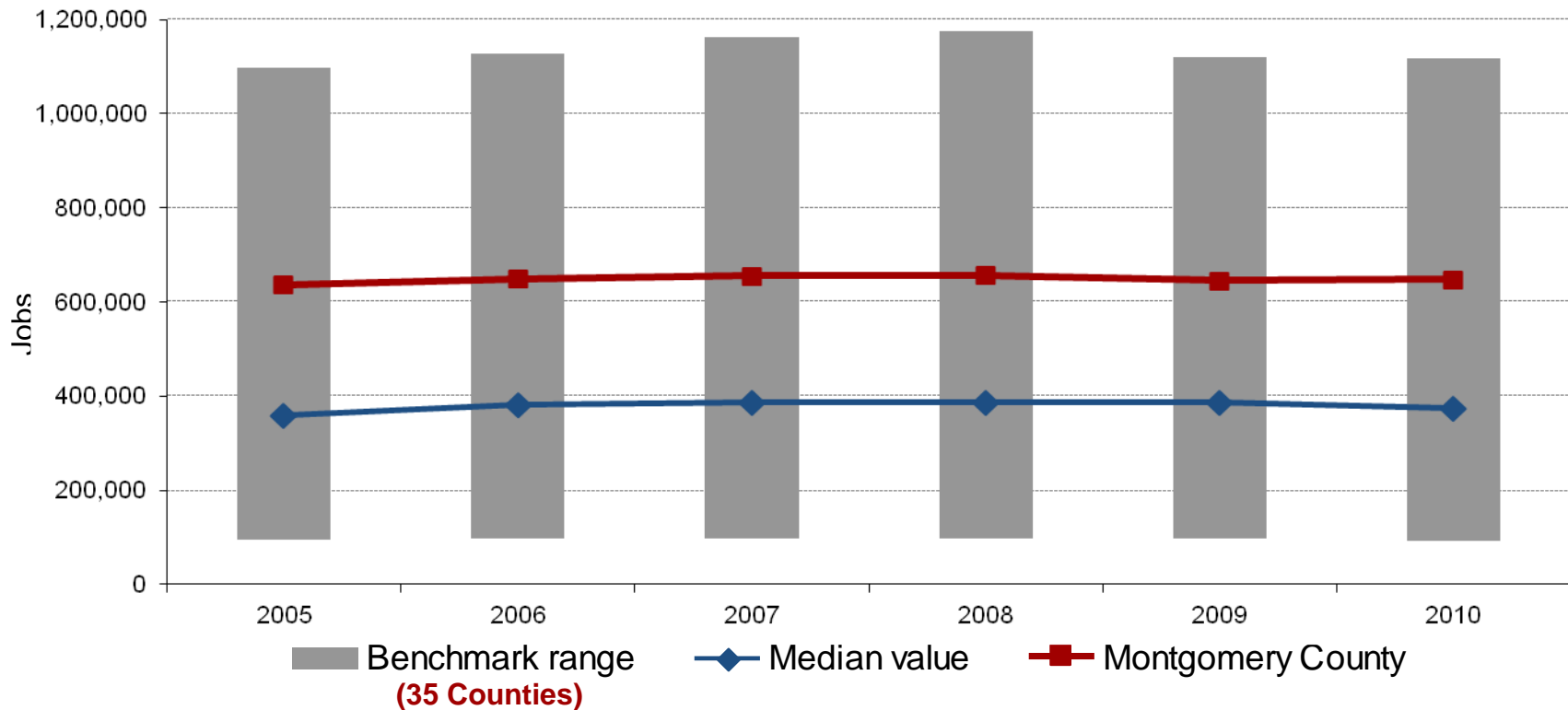


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National Benchmark

Indicator: Total employment (Number of jobs)



In 2010, the median national value was 375,193. In Montgomery County, total employment (number of jobs) was 647,652. In 2010, the highest value was 1,117,025 and the lowest value was 93,322.*

*Note: The data in this graph could not be updated due to the impact of Sequestration. See linked [report](#) for details.

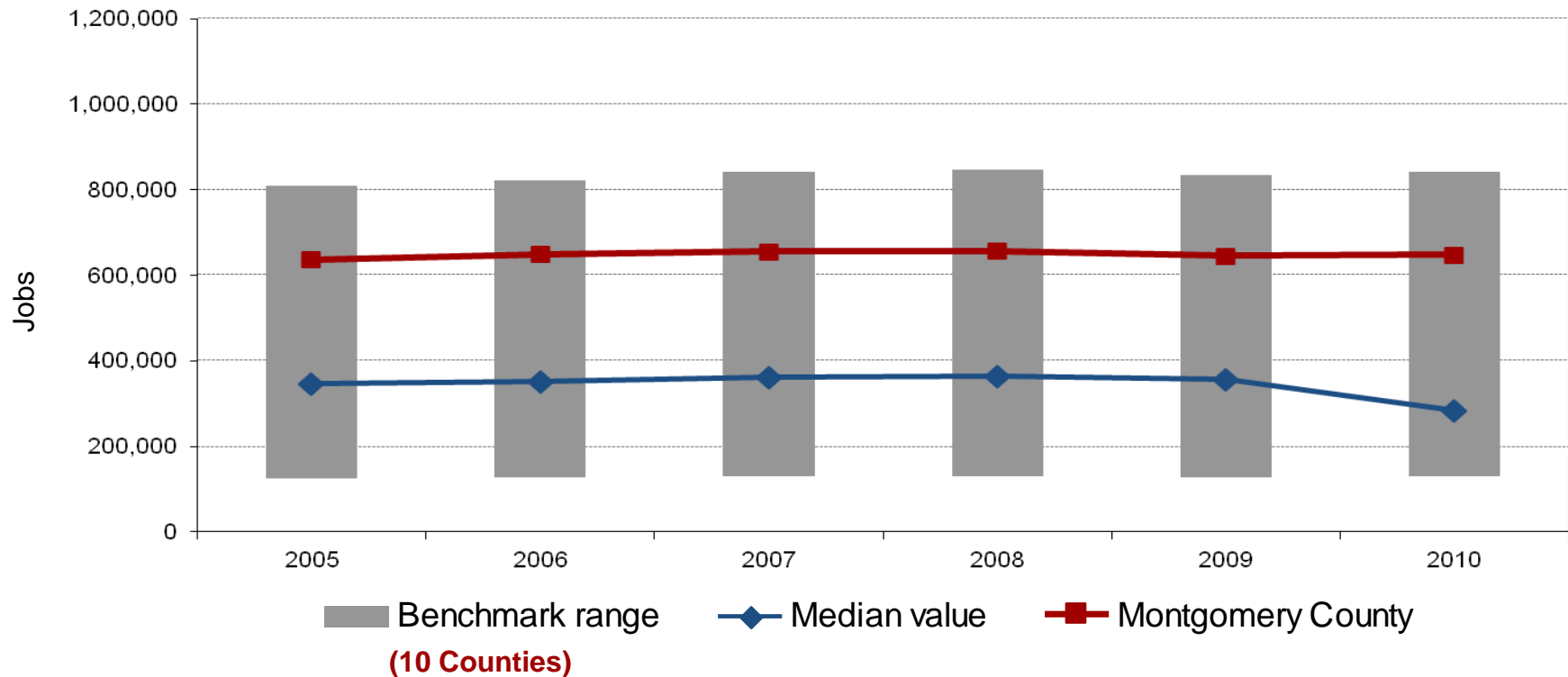


Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis; New estimates for 2009 and revisions for 2008-2009 based on April, 2011 data release

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Indicator: Total employment (Number of jobs)



In 2010, the median regional value was 284,178. In Montgomery County, total employment (number of jobs) was 647,652. In 2010, the highest value was 841,918 and the lowest value was 129,184.*

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